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Wesleyan Board of Trustees Elects Randolph Thrower New Chairman

Randolph Thrower, Atlanta attorney and former US Commissioner of Internal Revenue, was elected chairman of the Wesleyan College Board of Trustees at its March meeting. He succeeds Reginald Trice, Macon, who served as chairman since May, 1963.

Mr. Thrower, husband of alumna Margaret Munroe, '35, has been a partner in the law firm of Sutherland, Asbill, and Brennan since 1947, with offices in Atlanta and Washington, D. C. He was appointed by President Nixon in 1969 to serve as US Commissioner of Internal Revenue, directing some 65,000 employees, of whom 1900 were special agents trained to detect violations of the internal revenue law.

Graduated from Georgia Military Academy and Emory University, also the Emory Law School (1936) he returned there to teach tax law. He is a member of both the Washington, D. C. and Atlanta Bar Assns., and is past president of the latter. He is currently chairman of the American Bar Assn.'s Special Committee to Survey Legal Needs.

In 1944-45 Mr. Thrower served as an officer in the US Marine Corps and worked as a special agent for the FBI after World War II. Both he and his wife have been active in the civic, cultural, and political life of their community. He is a board member of the Georgia Mental Health Assn.

A sterling silver Chippendale tray was presented to Mr. Trice in appreciation of his service as chairman.

A resolution honoring Miss Frances Strohecker was passed by the Wesleyan Board of Trustees at its March meeting. It also called for the establishment of a \$10,000 endowed fund to purchase library books in her honor. An honorary alumna, (1960) Frances has served as secretary to Wesleyan presidents since 1947 except 1949-53 when she was business manager of the college.

Party for Wives

The morning of the Trustee's meeting Mrs. W. Earl Strickland, wife of Wesleyan's president, entertained at a coffee at the President's home, Bradley Hall on Turner Acres, in honor of the wives of the new and the retiring chairmen of the Board, Mrs. Randolph Thrower and Mrs. Reginald Trice.

An antique silver coffee urn, recent gift to the College from Mrs. Lee M. Happ, graduate of 1907, was used for the first time. The former Tatem Pope bought the early Victorian urn at a famed goldsmith and silversmith shop on Bond street in London in 1922. Another treasure for Wesleyan it will be used for gala occasions.



Trustees' Wives Feted

Mrs. Trice and Mrs. Thrower stand with their hostess, Mrs. Strickland, as Mrs. M. W. Munroe, of Quincy, Fla., (mother of Mrs. Thrower) pours coffee from Happ urn at party for Trustees' wives.

Commencement Speaker

Mercedes McCambridge, distinguished actress, is to speak at Wesleyan Commencement exercises on Sunday morning, May 21, at 11:30, Porter Auditorium.

Ponders Head Parents

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Ponder (Adelaide Wallace, '46), publisher and editor of "The Madisonian", Madison, Ga., were elected president of Parents of Wesleyan at annual Parents Weekend March 10-11. The Ponders have two daughters currently at Wesleyan, Mary Graham Ponder, a junior, and Adelaide Douglas, a freshman. Their third, Anne Ponder Tamplin (Mrs. Harold Tamplin), of Atlanta, class of '71, gave birth that week, on March 8, to a daughter, Elizabeth (Beth), a "future Wesleyanne", said the proud grandmother.

Phase I of Capital Gifts Campaign is Success; Trustees Plan Phase II

Phase I of the Wesleyan College Capital Gifts Campaign officially ended on March 31.

The three year campaign, begun in April, 1969 with a goal of \$1.5 million has been successfully completed, according to Assistant to the President Robert A. Wys.

Development Office records show pledges amounting to \$2,264,000. To date, gifts received total \$1,993,500. Over the three year period, 1,855 donors made gifts to the campaign. Alumnae account for \$945,400 of the total amount pledged. Wesleyan's faculty, staff, and administration pledged \$33,500 while the student body donated \$8,400 in subscriptions.

The net worth of the college has increased since the beginning of the campaign despite inflation and temporary enrollment difficulties.

At their annual meeting on March 17, the trustees voted to continue the campaign effort toward the long range goal of \$5.6 million. Any gift received after April 1 will be counted in Phase II. The official Phase I kick-off will be the latter part of 1972 or early 1973 with specific date and goals to be announced by the Board.

Share certificates are being mailed to those donors who contributed \$30 and over to Phase I of the campaign.

New Gifts and Pledges 2-1-72—3-31-72

Mrs. Ester W. Barnes
Mrs. Claire D. Carreker
Mrs. Hamilton Osborne
Sigma Alpha Iota (Ann Martin Holmes Memorial Fund)
Mrs. Charles H. Stone
Mrs. Richard S. Wallace
Mr. Spain Willingham
Mrs. Harry Wong



New presidents of parents' organization, Mr. and Mrs. Graham Ponder, sign register at Alumnae mother-daughter party in Hinton Lounge. At R., Ruth Knox, freshman, shows her mother, Mrs. Bob Knox of Thomson, Ga., an interesting antique desk. Ruth has eight relatives who attended Wesleyan, including her mother (Ruth Hall, '40).

Strickland and Dean Go to Washington Meet

"The wife of the President of the United States made the wife of the president of Wesleyan College 'feel comfortable and at ease'", wrote Blythe McKay ('28) in the Macon Telegraph.

"But Mrs. Richard Nixon declined the invitation issued to her by Mrs. Strickland on behalf of the senior class at Wesleyan, requesting that she be its commencement speaker — the First Lady will be in Russia at Wesleyan's commencement time, she said."

Mrs. Strickland accompanied her husband and Wesleyan's academic dean, Dr. Oscar Page, to Washington when the men attended the annual meeting of the Association of American Colleges. Dr. Strickland also attended the meeting of the newly-formed National Council of Colleges for Women. Wesleyan is one of 64 colleges to join the council.

Kitchen Improved

A mammoth new Hobart dish washing machine was installed in Wesleyan's kitchen during the Christmas holidays, final touch in the program of kitchen renovation of the past year and a half. A complete set of gas ranges was replaced; also a tilting fry kettle and two new bakeshop ovens were added. All wooden shelves and tables have given way to steel and walls, floors, and walk-in coolers tiled. A fresh coat of green paint completed the job, all under the guiding hand of Business Manager Cameron Peden. A new reach-in cooler and an ice machine have also been placed in eating areas, according to William M. Burns, director of dining service.

ALUMNAE WEEKEND

"East Meets Wesleyan"

April 14-15, 1972

Watch for report and pictures in the June NOW (Magazine issue of news of Wesleyan), also, class notes. Class notes appear twice a year, June and December.



She's New Alumna

The status of Honorary Alumna has been conferred on Mrs. Willard R. Leach, of Palm Beach, Fla., by the Board of Managers of the Wesleyan Alumnae Assn. (with her husband, L., and President Strickland in photo). Anne Bates Leach became interested in Wesleyan through her paternal aunt, Mrs. Charles J. Harden, of Atlanta, graduate of 1888. She and her husband have become staunch friends of Wesleyan, establishing a scholarship and supporting the College generously in many other ways. Most recently they contributed hundreds of dogwood trees to be planted on campus; some of them line Leach drive.

College Loses Friend

Wesleyan mourns the passing of a dear friend and benefactress, Mrs. D. Abbott Turner, the former Elizabeth Hall Bradley, of Columbus, Ga. on March 6. Our sympathy is extended to her husband, for many years a trustee of the College, to her son, and two daughters. The latter, Mrs. C. C. Butler (Sarah Louise Turner, '41) Mrs. L. P. Corn (Betty Turner, '47) are alumnae, as is her daughter-in-law, Mrs. W. B. Turner (Sue Marie Thompson, '50).

Mr. and Mrs. Turner established the Bradley Foundation in honor of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Clark Bradley, through which they endowed many cultural, educational, and religious projects. Their generosity included the purchase of Wesleyan's president's home and establishment of a professorship in religion. In 1961 she was given an honorary doctorate of humanities by the College.

Drama Workshop

Viveca Lindfors, distinguished actress, conducted a drama workshop April 13. Invited to participate were high school teachers and drama groups from surrounding cities.

Miss Lindfors, who took part in Project '72 last January, was the guest of Mary Pate Hatfield, '48, associate professor of speech.

Bosch Gives Picture

A water color of Mt. Parnassos by Gerhart (Gerry) Bosch, of Columbus, Ga., has been presented to Wesleyan in memory of his son Jarir. It hangs in the Willet Memorial Library above the circulation desk at the second floor entrance. Mr. Bosch was a distinguished ceramist during his years on the art faculty at Wesleyan. He now devotes himself to painting, with jaunts to Greece and Mexico, accompanied by his wife, a leader in cultural circles of Columbus. He has won recognition in a number of shows.

Collect Microfiche

A collection of Microfiche has been begun at the Willet Library, reports Miss Tina Roberts, librarian. These are 4 x 6 inch cards of magazines filmed by the State Dept. of Archives and History, and filed with them in Atlanta. Copies are being sent to our library. They include alumnae magazines, student newspapers (Watchtower, T and C), up to current issues, also faculty and trustee minutes from their beginning to the move to the Rivoli campus.

In lieu of the annual May picnic Wesleyan Women have invited faculty, administration, and staff to a gala tasting dinner on May 5.

News of Wesleyan

In conjunction with the Macon Junior League, the Wesleyan Drama Dept. presented its annual children's play Feb. 24, 25, 26. Children from underprivileged "target" areas were bused in for two morning performances of "The Unwicked Witch", given in addition to the three evenings and a Saturday matinee. George W. McKinney directed and designed the set. This was the third offering of the department for the 1971-72 season.

The national collegiate journalism honorary fraternity, Pi Delta Epsilon, has named Wesleyan the site of its 1973 national convention. Dr. Leah Strong, American Studies chairman, is on PDE executive council, and serves as advisor of the Wesleyan chapter. She will be co-chairman of the convention with students Licia Drinnon and Daryl Dixon.

Berit Brattnas, former Swedish Olympic coach, gave a demonstration promoting adult and family physical fitness in Porter Gym March 23. She is attache in charge of sports at the office of the Swedish Consulate General in New York and came to Wesleyan through the coordination of Sweden's Ambassador to the US and the President's Council.

As new president of the Student Government Assn., rising senior Anne Thornton automatically became a member of Wesleyan's Board of Trustees. An American Studies major from



Mary Nell

Maryville, Tenn., she succeeds Mary Nell Morgan, Spartanburg, S. C., who was the first student trustee in the history of the College. Mary Nell was this year's homecoming queen, as well as president of SGA.



Anne

The Wesleyan Washboard Band played for a "Meet Wesleyan College" gathering at the Governor's Mansion in Atlanta recently, with Gov. Carter, his wife, son Chip, and 4-year-old Amy in attendance. Millard Beckum, admissions director, and others in his department, were present. The band has numerous other trips in prospect and was scheduled to appear on Wesleyan Notebook Sunday, April 16, after playing in New Orleans during Spring holidays.

William Crist, of the art faculty, exhibited his Organic Pneumatics in the Collier East Gallery before the holidays. His "environmental confrontation, experience, integration was something new in sculpture," and excited a great deal of interest.

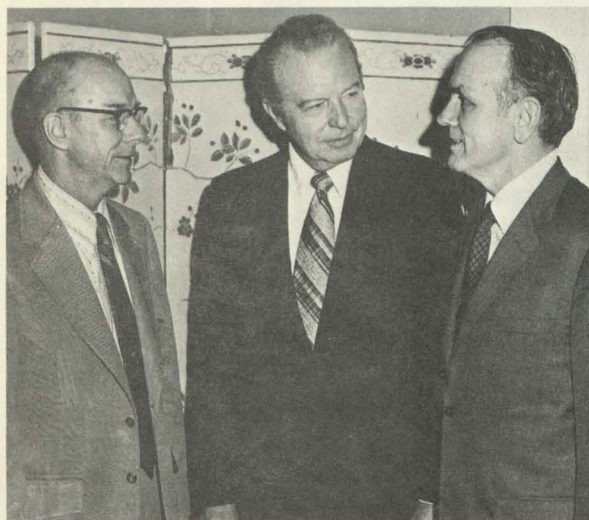
Organist Bernard Lagace, professor of organ at Montreal Conservatory of Music, presented a program April 9 on Wesleyan's Candler organ. He also conducted a master class on the Three Chorales of Franck next day.

Jerry Leon Chappelle, of the UGA Art Dept., will exhibit and discuss his work at Wesleyan (East Gallery, Porter auditorium), until April 29. His unusual techniques using clay and glass have won many honors.

A study-travel seminar to Kibbutz Yif-at, Israel, is being offered by Wesleyan in conjunction with LaGrange and Athens colleges. Study of archaeology, biblical history and literature, and modern Israeli culture is to be combined with a work program.

Macon's three colleges, including Wesleyan, and the local high schools observed National Negro History Week in February. Kick-off speaker was Dr. Benjamine E. Mays, noted educator and author, former president of Morehouse College and current chairman of the Atlanta Board of Education.

Ten rising seniors were awarded scholarships after annual Stunt Night climaxing Parents' Weekend in March. These scholarships are named for William F. Quillian, Samuel L. Akers, and Emmett S. Johnson. The sophomore Tri-K Pirates won the silver cup for best stunt.



President Greets Trice and Thrower
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